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August 5, 2008

IN REPLY PLEASE

REFER TO FILE: **MP-5**

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**RESOLUTION OF SUMMARY VACATION
SLOPE EASEMENT - UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF GLENVIEW
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to vacate an existing slope easement that is no longer needed for public use east of Adamsville Road in the unincorporated community of Glenview.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Find that this action is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Find that:
 - a. The slope easement east of Adamsville Road has not been used for the purpose for which it was dedicated or acquired for five consecutive years immediately preceding the proposed vacation and that it may, therefore, be vacated pursuant to Section 8333(a) of the California Streets and Highways Code.
 - b. The slope easement east of Adamsville Road is excess and not required for street and highway purposes and that it may, therefore, be vacated pursuant to Section 8334(a) of the California Streets and Highways Code.

- c. The slope easement east of Adamsville Road is not useful as a nonmotorized transportation facility as required by Section 892 of the California Streets and Highways Code.

3. Adopt the Resolution of Summary Vacation.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The purpose of the recommended actions is to vacate the slope easement east of Adamsville Road (Easement), since it no longer serves the purpose for which it was dedicated and is not required for public use.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs that we provide Fiscal Responsibility (Goal 4). The vacation of the easement will eliminate unnecessary maintenance cost and reduce the County of Los Angeles' (County) possible future exposure to liability.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The applicant has paid a \$1,500 fee to defray the expense of the investigation. The fee was authorized by your Board in a resolution adopted May 4, 1982, Synopsis 62 (Fee Schedule), and as prescribed in Section 8321 (d) of the California Streets and Highways Code.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The area to be vacated contains approximately 22,391 square feet and is shown on the map attached to the resolution.

The Streets and Highways Code Section 8333 provides "the legislative body of a local agency may summarily vacate a public service easement in any of the following cases: (a) the easement has not been used for the purpose for which it was dedicated or acquired for five consecutive years immediately preceding the proposed vacation." Streets and Highways Code Section 8306 defines "public service easement" to include limited use public easements other than for street or highway purposes.

The Streets and Highways Code Section 8334 provides "the legislative body of a local agency may summarily vacate any of the following: (a) an excess right of way of a street or highway not required for street or highway purposes."

The County's interest in the easement was acquired by Document No. 81-500936, recorded on May 19, 1981, of Official Records, in the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County as an easement for slope purposes.

Schmitz & Associates, Inc., on behalf of Alta View LLC requested the vacation to build a retaining wall within the easement to provide an additional building area. Due to the surrounding area's topography, the building site can only be located in an area partly encompassing the area proposed for vacation.

Adoption of the attached resolution will terminate the County's rights and interest in the easement. Your action will result in the property being unencumbered of the easement, and available to the property owner for use without restriction of the easement.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

This action is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as specified in Sections 15305 and 15321 of the State CEQA Guidelines which states that this class of projects consisting of minor alterations in land use, limitations and actions to revoke entitlement for use, issued and adopted by the regulatory agency, have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

This action will allow for additional property taxes through elimination of the easement.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter and one original and one copy of the resolution to the Department of Public Works, Mapping & Property Management Division, together with a copy of your Board's minute order. Retain one original for your files.

Respectfully submitted,



DEAN D. EFSTATHIOU
Acting Director of Public Works

DDE:PAP:mr

Attachment

c: Chief Executive Office
County Counsel

**RESOLUTION OF SUMMARY VACATION
SLOPE EASEMENT EAST OF ADAMSVILLE ROAD**

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
HEREBY FINDS, DETERMINES, AND RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. The County of Los Angeles is the holder of an easement for slope purposes (hereinafter referred to as the Easement) in, over, and across the real property legally described in Exhibit A and depicted on Exhibit B, both attached hereto. The Easement, east of Adamsville Road, is located in the vicinity of Glenview in the County of Los Angeles, State of California.
2. The Easement has not been used for the purpose for which it was dedicated or acquired for five consecutive years immediately preceding the proposed vacation.
3. The Easement is excess right of way not required for street or highway purposes.
4. The Easement is not useful as a nonmotorized transportation facility as defined in Section 887 of the California Streets and Highways Code.
5. The Easement is hereby vacated pursuant to Chapter 4, Part 3, Division 9 of the Streets and Highways Code, State of California, commencing with Section 8330.
6. Public Works is authorized to record the certified original resolution in the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles, at which time the Easement shall no longer constitute a public easement.
7. From and after the date this resolution is recorded, the Easement no longer constitutes a street, highway, or public service easement.

The foregoing Resolution was on the _____ day of _____, 2008, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, and ex-officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts for which said Board so acts.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

RAYMOND G. FORTNER, JR.,
County Counsel

SACHI A. HAMAI
Executive Officer of the
Board of Supervisors of the
County of Los Angeles

By Carole B. Suzuki
Deputy

By _____
Deputy

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EXHIBIT A

**SLOPE EASEMENT EAST OF
ADAMSVILLE ROAD**

A.I.N. 4436-024-036 (Portion)

T.G. 589-J1

I.M. 144-097

R.D. 336

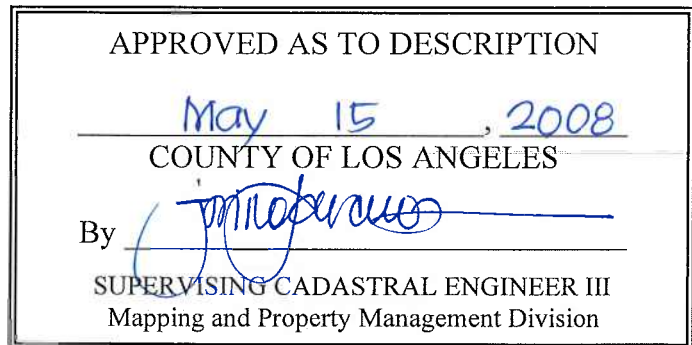
S.D. Third District

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Legal Description
(Vacation of Easement)

That portion of the Southeast quarter of Section 36, Township 1 North, Range 17 West, S.B.M., designated as "PARCEL 3" in the Easement deed, recorded on May 19, 1981, as Document No. 81-500936, of Official Records, in the office of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk of the County of Los Angeles.

Total Area: 22,391± square feet



This real property description has been prepared in conformance with the Professional Land Surveyors Act. The signatory herein is exempt pursuant to Section 8726 of the California Business and Professions Code.

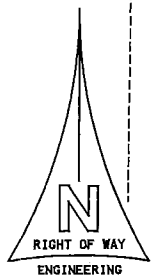
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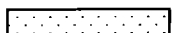
**SUBJECT
LOCATION**

EXHIBIT B

LEGEND



Area to be vacated
(Slope Easement)
Total Area 22,391 ± s.f.



Applicant

REVISIONS

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3.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

MAPPING & PROPERTY MANAGEMENT DIVISION

SD.

RD.

A.I.N.

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4436-024-036

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SLOPE EASEMENT

DRAWING NO.

E/O

M0688128

SCALE
NONE

DATE
6-22-06

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ADAMSVILLE ROAD

